
HOUSE BILL No. 1517

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 2-6-1.5-1.

Synopsis: Electronic copies of legislation. Requires the principal clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate to establish procedures for the distribution of legislative documents to members of the house of representatives and senate in an electronic format instead of paper copies, including, at a minimum, bills, resolutions, joint resolutions, committee reports, second and third reading motions, and conference committee reports. Provides that the procedures established by the clerk and secretary do not apply: (1) to the extent that they conflict with the house or senate rules; (2) as necessary to provide a sufficient number of paper copies for various filings and signatures; and (3) as necessary to provide a sufficient number of paper copies for distribution to the public.

Effective: July 1, 2011.

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January 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 2-6-1.5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 1. (a) The Indiana
3 general assembly shall, in accordance with the provisions of this
4 chapter, provide for the preparation, printing and distribution of its
5 bills, the session laws and journals of each session, the Indiana Code
6 and supplements to the Indiana Code, and such miscellaneous printing
7 of stationery, reports and other items, including the printing needs of
8 its ~~service and administrative agency~~, the Indiana legislative council
9 **and the legislative services agency**, as may occur.

10 (b) **Subject to subsection (c), the principal clerk of the house of**
11 **representatives and the secretary of the senate shall establish**
12 **procedures for the distribution of legislative documents to**
13 **members of the house of representatives and senate in an electronic**
14 **format instead of paper copies. At a minimum, these procedures**
15 **must cover the following types of documents:**

- 16 (1) **Bills, resolutions, and joint resolutions.**
- 17 (2) **Committee reports.**



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- (3) Second reading motions.**
- (4) Third reading motions.**
- (5) Conference committee reports.**

The principal clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate may comply with this subsection by providing that the documents described in this subsection are available on the general assembly's web site or on software programs maintained by the house of representatives and senate for the use of members of the house of representatives and senate and their respective staffs.

(c) The procedures established under subsection (b) do not apply under the following circumstances:

- (1) To the extent that the procedures conflict with the rules of the house of representatives or the senate or the joint rules for conducting business in the two (2) houses.**
- (2) As necessary to produce a sufficient number of paper copies for:**
 - (A) filing with the principal clerk of the house of representatives or the secretary of the senate;**
 - (B) delivery to and signature by the speaker of the house of representatives, the president pro tempore of the senate, the president of the senate, and the governor, or any combination of them, as required by law, by the rules of the house of representatives or the senate, or by the joint rules for conducting business in the two (2) houses; and**
 - (C) delivery to the secretary of state for preservation under IC 4-5-1-2.**
- (3) As necessary to provide a sufficient number of paper copies for distribution to the public.**

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